

San Joaquin Tributary Settlement NGO and Fisheries Agencies Goals¹

- 1.** In concert with the San Joaquin River Restoration Program and its supporting settlement agreement, establish and maintain independent viable populations of native salmonids on each major tributary of the San Joaquin River in a manner that complies with the fish doubling mandate, ESA Recovery mandates and allows for commercial and recreational harvest of the fishes.
- 2.** Establish healthy, self-sustaining native aquatic and riparian communities throughout the San Joaquin watershed.
- 3.** Manage the hydrograph of the Stanislaus, Merced, Tuolumne and lower San Joaquin rivers in a manner that provides a greater overall magnitude of flow and mirrors natural, unregulated flows in frequency, timing, and duration.
- 4.** In concert with planned BDCP actions, establish functional, self-sustaining corridors of floodplain, instream channel, and riparian habitats from the upper watershed through the southern Delta in a manner that supports resident and migratory fish populations, and supports the goals of the State's new flood management plan².
- 5.** Develop additional water system flexibility and efficiency to help avoid and/or minimize future disruption of water supply and to help mitigate effects of desired ecosystem flow improvements.
- 6.** Establish passage for anadromous fish populations in historical habitat above existing dams.

¹ These goals are for aquatic ecosystem resources only and are not intended to be inclusive of the goals for all resource areas that may be addressed in the course of future regulatory or environmental compliance processes. In achieving these goals, we want to maintain and build collaboration among the stakeholders, continue outreach to others, and develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative monitoring and adaptive management programs that are scientifically based.

² [Central Valley Flood Protection Plan](#)